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Through Pharmacy



Faith, Family, Pharmacy

Winter 2024-2025



We hope your Christmas was full
of family, fellowship and love!

Starting off the New Year

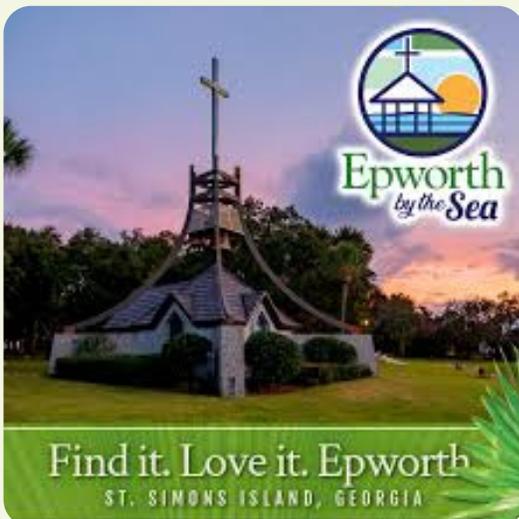
Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a wonderful year! Our members have been hard at work connecting with others, holding service events and spreading the good news of Jesus Christ. As we reflect on the holidays, we encourage everyone to remember the true meaning of the season, the joyous birth of our Lord and Savior, and what makes these times so special.

In our newsletter you will find recent events that have been taking place within our student chapters, important reminders, and more! We look forward to the many exciting things that are to come within these next few months!

Upcoming Events

Annual CPFI Conference and Student Retreat: May 28 - June 1



Reminders

Registration is officially open for the 2025 Annual CPFI Conference and Student Retreat to be held at Epworth by the Sea in St. Simons Island, Georgia. Don't forget to sign up and apply for the conference and the annual awards!

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Let's Get Jolly!

WSU Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy



CPFI members at WSU Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy hosted a bake sale in early December. The chapter was able to raise over \$100 to donate to Samaritan's Purse to help with disaster relief efforts across the country.

Wingate University School of Pharmacy



CPFI members at Wingate University School of Pharmacy created gift bags for incoming P1 students, each containing candy and a Bible verse to encourage the students through their first semester of pharmacy school.

ETSU Bill Gatton College of Pharmacy



CPFI members at ETSU Bill Gatton College of Pharmacy filled over 70 shoeboxes through Operation Christmas Child and were able to help deliver many items to children in need this past year for Christmas.

Pharmacist Spotlight

Susan Smith, BS,
PharmD, BCPS



Dr. Susan Smith is an Associate Professor of Pharmacy and Director of IPE for Wingate University School of Pharmacy in Wingate, NC. Her experience prior to academia includes 20 years of practice as an inpatient Internal Medicine Clinical Pharmacist Specialist. In May of 2024, Dr. Smith accepted a 3-year term as a CPFI Board member. She states that God led her to CPFI shortly after joining Wingate University School of Pharmacy in 2016.

One of the most special connections Dr. Smith had with CPFI at Wingate University was In 2019 when she had to face a hematopoietic stem cell transplant. During this difficult time, she states that members of the CPFI chapter offered to donate bone marrow and their hair. Although not needed, the gesture amazed Dr. Smith on how powerful God can work in people's lives. During her recovery, she states that many members brought her gift baskets and cards that included the same Bible verse which has become her favorite verse and is listed below. Prior to becoming a faculty member at Wingate University School of Pharmacy, Dr. Smith had never heard of CPFI but wished she had. She got to experience first hand all of the ways members of CPFI spread good to their communities. Since then she has participated in many events including volunteering at a local pregnancy center to educate mothers on how to treat newborn illnesses with over-the-counter regimens. Since becoming a CPFI Board member in 2024, Dr. Smith states that she is eager to see where God leads her in the future.

Favorite Bible Verse:

"Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with My righteous right hand."
Isaiah 41:10 (BSB)

How Can I Get Involved?

Salvation Army



The Salvation Army offers all volunteers the opportunity to assist at shelters and organize food drives.

Christian Ministries



Whether it is donating or assisting with sorting, Christian Ministries are always looking for volunteers to help.

Community Shelters or Local Food Banks



Many community shelters offer you the chance to donate items and prepare and/or serve a meal to the residents.

Local Churches



Many churches offer volunteer opportunities for anyone who would like to be involved.

CPFI Annual Conference/Awards

Annual Conference - St. Simons Island, Georgia

The 2025 CPFI annual conference will be held at Epworth by the Sea in St. Simons Island, Georgia. The national student retreat will be held May 28 - June 1 and the annual conference will be held from May 29 - June 1. Registration, lodging and meals are FREE for student members who register early. This is the perfect opportunity to relax and be able to connect with other CPFI members and students. If you are interested, please visit the national CPFI website to register. We hope to see you there!

Dr. Fred M. Eckel Distinguished Student Award

This award is given to a student who is a strong leader and is dedicated to promoting student activities and leadership development in CPFI chapters.

Dr. Manasseh Heeralall Student Chapter of the Year Award

This award acknowledges one student CPFI chapter for their dedicated service to the national student council and their advancement of student activities and leadership.

How to Apply/Deadlines

One member from each chapter (not advisor) must submit an application on the CPFI website in order to be considered for one of the two awards above. The deadline for submissions is Sunday, April 20.

CPFI Membership Renewal



Current Student Members:

You should be receiving an email notification for a renewal link close to or on the anniversary date of your membership. If you use the link emailed to you, you will be able to renew your membership for the 2025 school year. If you do not receive an email or have any questions, reach out to our office at office@cpfi.org or call 423-844-1043

Non-Current Members:

If you are not a current student member of CPFI or know someone who is interested, you can visit our home page at www.cpfi.org. Here you will find more information on what CPFI is all about and our goals in our community. Under the "Member Center" tab on the home screen, you will find a link to "Join Now." Here you can pay your \$35 (student) or \$120 (professional member) national dues and become an official member of CPFI! Some pharmacy schools require that new student members pay local dues as well. If you are unsure if your school requires you to pay local dues please reach out to your student chapter for more information.

Let's Get Social!



Instagram
@christianpharmacistsfi



Facebook
"CPFI"



Linked In
Christian Pharmacists
Fellowship International

Daily Bible Verse

*"Teach me your way, LORD, that I may rely on your faithfulness;
give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name."*

Psalm 86:11 (NIV)

THANKS FOR READING!

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